

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

July 26, 2004

In re the Application of

Yoshitaka SASAKI et al.

Application No.: 10/692,731

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MAGNETIC HEAD, HEAD GIMBAL ASSEMBLY, HARD DISK DRIVE, AND METHOD

OF MANUFACTURING MAGNETIC HEAD

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired June 26, 2004, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 156668 in the amount of \$110.00 in payment for:

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Respectfully submitted,

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